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**Public Health Committee** 

Bill HB 6025

## CTSMA PROPOSED BILL 6025

AN ACT ALLOWING MEDICAL ASSISTANTS TO ADMINISTER MEDICATION UNDER SUPERVISION.

To whom it may concern,

I am an AAMA Certified Medical Assistant working in an outpatient practice with 18 years of experience in my field. I attended an Accredited Education program for Medical Assistants for 11 months and was Valedictorian of my class.

Being a CMA is not just a job or paycheck to me, it is my career and calling. I studied pharmacology and administration of injectable medicines in great length and I am confident that I am fully capable of performing this task daily.

As a Medical Assistant; I held a position in Florida and that is where I learned that Connecticut is one state that does not allow us to perform injections. The office I currently work with has a Registered Nurse whose sole purpose for being employed is to administer vaccinations.

If this law is changed and I then become legally able to administer medications, this would change my job significantly as my value to the practice would increase and my work flow would not be halted daily waiting for an R.N to perform this function.

I am intelligent and I possess a great deal of common sense, I have been trained properly and take my job and all duties it encompasses very seriously; this bill will change the course of my career and all other CMA's who are bound by this one restriction.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

Kim Francoeur, CMA (AAMA)